

These minutes were approved at the 8/15/16 City Council meeting with no changes.

CITY OF WEST CHICAGO – 475 Main Street  
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
Regular Meeting  
August 1, 2016

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor Ruben Pineda called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.
2. **Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.** Alderman Edwalds led all in the pledge of allegiance.
3. **Invocation.** The City Clerk gave the invocation.
4. **Roll Call and Establishment of a Quorum.**

Roll Call found Aldermen Lori J. Chassee, James E. Beifuss, Jr., Jayme Sheahan, Laura Grodoski, Alton Hallett, Sandy Dimas, Melissa Ferguson, John C. Smith, Mark Edwalds, Rebecca Stout, John F. Banas, and Noreen Ligino-Kubinski present. Alderman Kurt Meissner was absent. The Mayor announced a quorum.

City Clerk Nancy M. Smith was also present.

Also in attendance were City Attorney Patrick K. Bond, City Administrator Michael L. Guttman, Police Commander Eric Shipman, Community Development Director John D. Said, and Administrative Services Director Linda Martin.

**5. Public Participation.**

**A. Presentation: Railroad Days Parade Winners.** Dave Sabathne, President and CEO of the West Chicago Chamber of Commerce and Industry said the Railroad Days celebration this year was tremendous at Pioneer Park. Thousands of people attended. One percent of the population chipped in and helped and 99% were able to enjoy being with their neighbors and friends and being ambassadors for the community. Mr. Sabathne then thanked the 1%: Civil Air Patrol, ESDA, Park District, CERT, Police Department (especially Robbi Peterson), School District 94, City of West Chicago, Glen Arbor Church, Rotary, Lions Club, Sister Cities, K. Hoving, and the Chamber staff and board of directors. The Mayor thanked Mr. Sabathne and all that helped and participated.

The Mayor along with Mr. Sabathne announced the following winners from this year's Railroad Days Parade where the theme was, "Every Day Olympians." The Grand Marshal's Award went to the West Chicago City Museum. The Mayor said he was really appreciative of the Museum. The Heritage Award went to the West Chicago Youth Cheerleading Organization who brought along six trophies they have received in the past five years. The Mayor said a lot of work went into winning those trophies. The Turner Award went to Kinder Care Learning Centers. The Mayor said Railroad Days was great and was here to stay. He liked it at Pioneer Park where it will always be from now on.

Mr. Sabathne then introduced the three Grand Marshals: David White, Tony Marin, and Sean McComb, saying how special they were. The Mayor said Lieutenant Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti walked with him and that he took her over to meet the Grand Marshals. The Mayor thanked Robbi Peterson for all that he has done for Special Olympics.

**6. City Council Meeting Minutes – July 18, 2016.** Alderman Banas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Beifuss, to approve the minutes of July 18, 2016, with no changes. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

**7. Corporate Disbursement Report.** Alderman Smith made a motion, seconded by Alderman Dimas, to approve the August 1, 2016, Corporate Disbursement Report in the amount of \$844,442.67. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

**8. Consent Agenda – Consideration of an Omnibus Vote.**

\* **Public Affairs Committee:** Alderman Chassee read and explained the following item:

**A. Approve – St. Mary's Annual Festival – Scheduled for Sunday, August 14, 2016**

Alderman Chassee made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ferguson, to adopt the above item. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

\* **Items Not Sent to Committee:** Mayor Pineda read and explained the following item:

**B. Approve** – The City Administrator's Emergency Purchase of Services to Repair and Upgrade the City's Fleet Fueling System at 135 W. Grand Lake Boulevard (for an amount not to exceed \$119,900.00)

Alderman Dimas made a motion, seconded by Alderman Grodoski, to adopt the above item. Voting Aye: Aldermen Chassee, Beifuss, Sheahan, Grodoski, Hallett, Dimas, Ferguson, Smith, Edwalds, Stout, Banas, and Ligino-Kubinski. Voting Nay: 0. Motion carried.

**9. Reports by Committees.** None

**10. Unfinished Business.** None

**11. New Business.** None

**12. Correspondence and Announcements.**

**Upcoming Meetings**

- August 2, 2016	Plan Commission/Zoning Board of Appeals
- August 4, 2016	Finance Committee
- August 4, 2016	Infrastructure Committee (cancelled)
- August 8, 2016	Development Committee

Alderman Stout announced that tomorrow night from 6:00 – 8:00 pm, National Night Out would be held at Reed-Kepler Park. She invited everyone to bring their family and friends. The Mayor said this is the perfect time to let the police officers know that they are appreciated. They are needed and loved here in West Chicago. Now more than ever, they need our support. They will be at the event.

The City Clerk said the Cultural Arts Commission meeting regularly scheduled for August 4, 2016, was rescheduled for August 25, 2016.

The City Clerk reminded everyone of the VFW's car and motorcycle show on August 14, 2016, 9:00 am to 3:00 pm. Everyone is invited

The Mayor said on Saturday at the ARC Center, the Education Foundation is sponsoring "Duelling Pianos" and he invited everyone to attend. The Foundation provides funds for those things not in the school's budget.

The Mayor said there will be a Community Walk on August 13, 2016, starting at 9:00 am by St. Michael's Church. There will be incentives for children such as Turtle Pool passes.

**13. Mayor's Comments.** The Mayor said September will be Move with the Mayor month. This is the event with five other cities participating. West Chicago's theme will be, "Every Step Counts." There will be a big party on September 29, 2016. There will be a walk every Saturday starting at different schools. The Mayor is working on getting pedometers for the 4500 students with the help of the City's businesses, the American Heart Association, and the American Cancer Society.

**14. Executive Session.** At 7:25 pm, Alderman Beifuss made a motion, seconded by Alderman Edwalds, to adjourn into executive session to discuss land acquisition [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(5) (6)], litigation [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(11)], collective bargaining [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)], and review of Official Record [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(21)]. Motion was carried by voice vote.

Minutes for the executive session are filed separately.

**15. Items to be Referred for Final Action from Executive Session.** Not applicable.

**16. Adjournment.** See above.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy M. Smith  
City Clerk